TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE



HB 1918 - SB 1492

March 26, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes juvenile courts to hold a hearing to determine whether a parent or legal guardian has the ability to pay for the services eligible for the reimbursement account established to provide financial assistance to counties to remove children from adult jails. Indigent parents or guardians shall not be required to pay for these services.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The number of hearings held to make payment determinations will be not significant. Any cost incurred by the juvenile court system can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.
- Any increase in revenue as a result of more parents or guardians being found to have the ability to pay will be not significant. It is assumed that a majority of parents or guardians who have the ability to pay are currently doing so as mandated by the court.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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